Result of voting

Consultation Information

Consultation reference: Conditionally accepted work items for Fortran 202Y

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202Y

Opening date: 2025-04-06 **Closing date:** 2025-05-03

Note: At the 2024 meeting, three prospective work

items were "conditionally accepted". INCITS/ Fortran was requested to discuss these at a future meeting to provide direction to WG5 - this happened at the February 2025 meeting in Berkeley, California. Given the abbreviated (and end-of-week) schedule for the 2025 WG5 meeting, a request was made to provide INCITS/Fortran's guidance and to ballot WG5 members on formally accepting the work items so that development could start earlier.

The three prospective work items are as follows:

US20 - Add SCAN and CO_SCAN intrinsic procedures. (The names would likely change.) See j3-fortran.org/doc/year/23/23-235r2.txt for more details. The INCITS/Fortran vote on this was 11 in favor, 0 opposed. Comments made at the time: These are difficult for users to implement on their own with acceptable performance. C++ already has these, and some vendors have already implemented them for their own use.

US22/DIN02 - Unions in interoperable types. See j3-fortran.org/doc/year/24/24-117.txt It was pointed out that trying to emulate this feature with independently declared types and TRANSFER loses the feature of automatically sizing the union to the maximum of the overlaid types. Most compilers already support unions using a

nonstandard syntax. The INCITS/Fortran vote on this was 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 undecided.

DIN01 - Collectives over a specified team. See N2230.pdf The INCITS/Fortran vote on this was 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent

Experts responses:

Votes cast (26)

Brady, Chris Mr Chen, Daniel Mr Chivers, Ian Mr Clune. Thomas Dr Cohen, Malcolm Mr Cook, Brandon Dr Cornille, Brian Mr Hammond, Jeff Dr Haveraaen, Magne Ms Iwashita, Hidetoshi Mr Johnson, Ted Mr Klimowicz, Gary Mr Leair, Mark Mr Lionel, Steve Mr Ma, Chengging Mrs Maddhipatla, Raghu Mr Menard, Lorri Ms Muxworthy, David T Mr Rasmussen, Katherine Rasmussen, Soren Dr Reid, John K Dr Rouson, Damian Dr Steidel, Jon Mr Takata, Masayuki Mr Thomas, Paul Richard Mr

Bonachea, Dan

Votes not cast (58)

Adelstein Lelbach, Bryce Mr Agbere, Dabiyyah Ahn, So Young Ms Ash, Bill Mr Barra, Lynn Ms Bernholdt, David Mr Brito Gadeschi, Gonzalo Mr Budiardja, Reuben Dr Bullock, Austin Mr Certik, Ondrej Mr Chandramohan, Kiran Mr Costa, Timothy Dr Curcic, Milan Dr

Elsesser, Gary

Georgiadou, Antigoni Gibney, Jonathon Gorelik, Alla Dr Green, Ron Hemstad, Jake Mr Henning, Paul Dr Hoemmen, Mark Dr Huhn, William Mr Jin, Henry Mr Jung, Bo Mr Jung, HaeSun Prof Kadhem, Hugh Kamatsuka, Shun Mr Kamenoue, Tsuyoshi Mr Kwon, Seung Uk Mr Larkin, Jeff Mr Lee, Yong Woo Liber, Nevin Mr Long, Bill Dr Mangudi, Divya Mr Markus, Arjen Dr Myeong, Bongsik Mr Nicely, Matthew Mr Niebler, Eric Mr Okano, Shinichi Otken, John Pettey, Lucas Dr Rasmussen, Craig Dr Saldivar, Miguel Sato, Fumitoshi Mr Sato, Hiroyuki Dr Schweitz, Eric Shafran, Aury Sharp, Philip Dr Shterenlikht, Anton Dr Sircombe, Nathan John Dr Sleightholme, Jane Ms Sottile, Matthew Dr Spittle, Deborah J. Ms Sukhomlin, Vladimir Mr. Szeremi, Vendel Tschirhart, Zachary Mr

Questions:

Q.1

"Should US20 (SCAN/CO_SCAN) be approved for the Fortran 202Y work item list?"

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Q.2	"Should US22/DIN02 (Unions in interoperable types) be approved for the Fortran 202Y work item list?"	
Q.3	"Should DIN01 (Collectives over a specified team) be approved for the Fortran 202Y work item list?"	

Answers to Q.1: "Should US20 (SCAN/CO_SCAN) be approved for the Fortran 202Y work item list?"

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20 x	Yes	Bonachea, Dan Brady, Chris Mr Chen, Daniel Mr Chivers, Ian Mr Clune, Thomas Dr Cook, Brandon Dr Cornille, Brian Mr Hammond, Jeff Dr Iwashita, Hidetoshi Mr Johnson, Ted Mr Klimowicz, Gary Mr Leair, Mark Mr Lionel, Steve Mr Ma, Chengqing Mrs Maddhipatla, Raghu Mr Rasmussen, Katherine Rasmussen, Soren Dr Rouson, Damian Dr Steidel, Jon Mr Takata, Masayuki Mr
5 x	No	Cohen, Malcolm Mr Menard, Lorri Ms Muxworthy, David T Mr Reid, John K Dr Thomas, Paul Richard Mr
1 x	Undecided	Haveraaen, Magne Ms

Answers to Q.2: "Should US22/DIN02 (Unions in interoperable types) be approved for the Fortran 202Y work item list?"

Yes	Bonachea, Dan	
	Chen, Daniel Mr	
	Chivers, Ian Mr	
	Clune, Thomas Dr	
	Cook, Brandon Dr	
	Cornille, Brian Mr	
	Hammond, Jeff Dr	
	Iwashita, Hidetoshi Mr	
	Johnson, Ted Mr	
	Klimowicz, Gary Mr	
	Yes	Chen, Daniel Mr Chivers, Ian Mr Clune, Thomas Dr Cook, Brandon Dr Cornille, Brian Mr Hammond, Jeff Dr Iwashita, Hidetoshi Mr

		Lionel, Steve Mr Ma, Chengqing Mrs Maddhipatla, Raghu Mr Menard, Lorri Ms Rasmussen, Soren Dr Rouson, Damian Dr Steidel, Jon Mr Takata, Masayuki Mr Thomas, Paul Richard Mr
5 x	No	Brady, Chris Mr Cohen, Malcolm Mr Haveraaen, Magne Ms Muxworthy, David T Mr Reid, John K Dr
1 x	Undecided	Rasmussen, Katherine

Answers to Q.3: "Should DIN01 (Collectives over a specified team) be approved for the Fortran 202Y work item list?"

23 x	Yes	Bonachea, Dan	
		Brady, Chris Mr	
		Chen, Daniel Mr	
		Chivers, lan Mr	
		Clune, Thomas Dr	
		Cohen, Malcolm Mr	
		Cook, Brandon Dr	
		Cornille, Brian Mr	
		Hammond, Jeff Dr	
		Haveraaen, Magne Ms	
		Iwashita, Hidetoshi Mr	
		Johnson, Ted Mr	
		Klimowicz, Gary Mr	
		Leair, Mark Mr	
		Lionel, Steve Mr	
		Ma, Chengqing Mrs	
		Maddhipatla, Raghu Mr	
		Menard, Lorri Ms	
		Rasmussen, Katherine	
		Rasmussen, Soren Dr	
		Rouson, Damian Dr	
		Steidel, Jon Mr	
		Takata, Masayuki Mr	
3 x	No	Muxworthy, David T Mr	
		Reid, John K Dr	
		Thomas, Paul Richard Mr	
0 x	Undecided		

Expert:	Comment:	Date:
Brady, Chris Mr	Comment	2025-05-02 11:57:17
Not a high priority and potentially risky		
Cohen, Malcolm Mr	Comment	2025-04-25 01:27:20

CO_SCAN in particular is not part of C++; its likely benefit is too small to outweigh even a small cost.

SCAN was part of HPF, and several vendors implemented it, and the user appreciation was so underwhelming that they have all dropped it since.

These are inherently unsafe. Fortran does not need more unreliability.

Haveraaen, Magne Ms	Comment	2025-04-08 16:39:32
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Rather than as intrinsics, scan/co_scan might better be supported as part of a standard template-generic library for Fortran.

The interoperability of Fortran intrinsics require a much more detailed semantics of the bit-patterns of said types than given in the Fortran standard.

Specifically: KIND arguments to intrinsics are currently not standardised across processors. Using union types without such standardisation will yield non-portable code, going against the purpose of standardising a union type.

While this might map directly onto an (obsolete) HPF construct, there hasn't been a compelling use case yet.

Muxworthy, David T Mr	Comment	2025-05-01 18:13:25
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It is more important to adhere to the schedule in N2232 than to add an item of debatable widespread utility.

The feature is reported to be unsafe.

It is important to adhere to the schedule in N2232. A review of all the items in N2234 would be desirable.

Rasmussen, Katherine	Comment	2025-04-07 22:34:06
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I find some arguments for this work item to be persuasive, as well as some arguments against this work item. Hence, I am undecided at this time.

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Takata, Masayuki Mr	Comment	2025-05-02 06:34:31	
I hate to extend use of equivalence association, but take this as a necessary evil.			
Thomas, Paul Richard Mr Comment 2025-04-30 08:27:07			
There are too many items on the existing work list. That said, SCAN/CO_SCAN could be easily implemented.			
Vendors have already implemented this feature for DEC compatability.			

Same comment as for SSCA/CO_SCAN although I am less sure of the ease of implementation.